

NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Joe Stecher and the Lincoln Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, (FBI), announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

On January 29, 2009, a Lincoln man was sentenced to five years, (60 months), in prison for possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine, pills containing methamphetamine and Ecstasy and marijuana. On July 23, 2008, a Lincoln Police officer saw Terrell Lee Jones rummaging through a vehicle parked on a Lincoln street. The officer saw Jones display a baggie containing suspected marijuana to another person. About this time, a marked LPD cruiser came through the area. Jones threw items into the trunk of the vehicle and walked towards an apartment building. Jones was contacted and denied any knowledge of the vehicle or the marijuana. The officer looked through the vehicle's windows and saw a plastic sandwich bag containing marijuana. The vehicle was searched, and officers found 9.74 grams of crack cocaine; 102.76 grams of marijuana; and a bag containing 114 pills and \$812 in cash. Lab testing showed the pills contained both methamphetamine and 3,4 methylenedioxymethamphet-amine, also known as MDMA, also known as Ecstasy. The pills had a total weight of 33.84 grams. Jones agreed to forfeit the \$812 cash to the government. Following the prison term, he will serve four years on supervised release. He was also ordered to pay a \$100 special assessment.

Name of Defendant: Terrell Lee Jones

AKA:

Age: 25

City of residence: Lincoln

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Count I: Distribute and possess with the intent to distribute 5 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine base, also known as crack cocaine, a Schedule II controlled substance; a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance; a

mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine, also known as "MDMA," and also known as "Ecstacy," a Schedule I controlled substance; and a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of marijuana, a Schedule I controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1) and 841(b)(1) and Title 18, United States Code, Section 2. Count II: Forfeiture of \$812 cash pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853. The possible penalty for Count I is not less than five years nor more than 40 years imprisonment and a fine of up to \$2,000,000. Following any prison term, there would be a term of supervised release of not less than four years. There is also a \$100 special assessment. The possible penalty for Count II is forfeiture of \$812 cash to the United States.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Lincoln

Location of Arrest: Lincoln

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: Jones was held responsible for 9.74 grams of a mixture or substance containing cocaine base, also known as crack cocaine; 33.84 grams of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine and a detectable amount of 3,4 methylenedioxymethamphetamine, also known as MDMA, also known as Ecstasy; and 102.76 grams of marijuana.

Others Charged in Same Scheme: none

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: July 23, 2008

Federal Arrest Date: August 27, 2008

Date Complaint Issued:

Indictment Returned Date: August 20, 2008

Initial Appearance Date: August 27, 2008

Plea or Trial and Date(s): Pled guilty on November 10, 2008

Sentencing Date: January 29, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: none

Assigned Magistrate Judge: The Honorable David L. Piester

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: held without bond

In Continuous Custody Since: August 27, 2008

Assigned District Court Judge: The Honorable Richard G. Kopf

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